

BOARD HOLDS OFF ON STEEL PRICES

Director-General Hines Not Present at Five Hour Conference.

AIM AT LOW FIGURE

Profits of Manufacturers Outside of U. S. Corporation Base of Consideration.

Special Despatch to THE SUN.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Industrial Board of the Department of Commerce and four representatives of the Railroad Administration considered steel prices to-day.

The industrial board of the Department of Commerce held a meeting to-day with Judge R. S. Lovett and Luther R. Walters, the advisory purchasing committee of the Railroad Administration; also with H. B. Spencer, director of the division of purchase, and Commissioner McChord of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mr. Hines was unable to be present and was represented by his advisory committee, above mentioned. The committee will report to Mr. Hines and at a further meeting that of purchase, and Commissioner McChord of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Director-General Hines of the Railroad Administration and Chairman Peek will meet early next week. It was apparent that the members of the Industrial Board were displeased by the failure of the Director-General to appear at the conference to-day.

It was intimated that the conference was given wholly to a discussion of price and did not consider questions of policy. The board presented figures and statements from the Federal Trade Commission indicating that but two of the big steel organizations of the country could sell at profit at the prices fixed by the board because of the wage scale and cost of materials.

The representatives of the Railroad Administration maintain there is a common ground on which the administration can meet with the steel industry and obtain sales at a price below that of the railroad representatives to-day gave figures relating to the alleged profits of the industry during the last few years.

The data regarding profits are said to have been obtained by William G. McAdoo while acting as both Director-General of Railroads and Secretary of the Treasury. The figures came to him, it is said, in his capacity as Secretary of the Treasury.

The Industrial Board has statistics of the Federal Trade Commission on the production of steel rails showing that the average cost in five plants was \$47.10 a ton. This is 10 cents higher than the maximum price agreed to by the industry. Board officials said that if the price was lowered the United States Steel Corporation virtually was the only concern that could make a profit on its contracts.

HINES ASSAILS PLAN TO FIX COAL PRICES

Railway Head Sees an Attempt by Producers to Keep Up High Cost of Living.

PUBLIC WOULD SUFFER

Competition Needed to Stabilize Conditions for Benefit of All Consumers.

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WASHINGTON, April 5.—Changes which have been made in the covenant of the League of Nations at Paris have been cited from Paris to Senator Hitchcock (Nebraska), retiring Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The message was received to-day by the Senator, but he declined to discuss it further than to say that he had not asked the American peace delegates for the information.

Senator Hitchcock is regarded generally as the chief spokesman of the administration in the controversy which has developed in this country over the League of Nations plan and it is understood that the purpose of sending the communication was not only to keep the Senator informed of the progress made in revising the league constitution, but also that expected to be made.

The Senator is to participate in a joint session with Senator Lenroot (Wisconsin), Republican, on the League of Nations in New York Monday night and it is probable that he will use some of this information in his speech.

The communication to Senator Hitchcock was said to be the first relative to the Peace Conference to be received by any Senator from the American delegates at Paris.

Owing to other engagements Senator Hitchcock declined to-day an invitation received from the Indiana Manufacturers Association to engage in a joint debate on the League of Nations with George Wharton Pepper of Philadelphia in Indianapolis April 15.

TO ACCOMPANY BAKER ABROAD

Fifteen of House Military Committee Will Go With Him.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Fifteen members of the House Military Committee will accompany Secretary Baker when he leaves next Monday from New York on the Leviathan for France. In making this announcement to-day Representative Dent, retiring chairman, said the trip would be of an official nature so far as it could be under the circumstances.

Representatives of the General Staff will accompany the committee to aid in mapping out a complete and rapid inspection tour and the trip is expected to last five or six weeks. Battlefields will be inspected and trips taken to the American camps not only in France but in England and Italy.

PRICE OF CABBAGE IS SOARING.

Retail Figure Now as High as Its Ally, Corned Beef.

Gov. Smith Reviews 12th.

Gov. Alfred E. Smith last night reviewed the Twelfth Regiment, N. Y. G., at the armory, Sixty-first street and Columbus avenue. The regiment, under command of Col. Nelson B. Burr, was lined up on the drill floor of the armory at the armory, Sixty-first street and Columbus avenue. The regiment, under command of Col. Nelson B. Burr, was lined up on the drill floor of the armory at the armory, Sixty-first street and Columbus avenue.

GOVERNOR'S WIFE IS SPONSOR.

Mrs. Smith Christens East Side at Launching.

Mrs. Alfred E. Smith, wife of the Governor, christened the vessel "East Side" when the ship was launched at noon yesterday at the Shopton Island yards of the Standard Shipbuilding Corporation. The crowd sang "The Sidewalks of New York" after the 7,500 ton ship left the ways.

Mayor Hylan was expected. He did not appear, but when Matthew Cahill, Democratic leader of Richmond, came forward he got three cheers from the 7,000 workmen who mistook him for the Mayor. They look alike.

U-BOATS WILL TOUR ON RIVERS AND LAKES

Surrendered Vessels to Visit St. Louis and Chicago.

REMARK BY JUDGE

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Advertisement for A. Jaekel & Co. Furriers, 384 Fifth Avenue, New York. Specializing in furs of distinction for spring, including fisher sable, stone-marten, and animal scarfs. Telephone 2044 Greeley.

MOTT HAVEN RED, 60, CHOOSES SING SING. Expecting to Die in Prison, Hopes to See Grass Again.

CALDER SEES A SUFF VICTORY IN CONGRESS. Believes Amendment Will Have Good Majorities.

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